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**PATENT**

**Applicant:** Solomon Emeth

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**Title:** BILLBOARD GARMENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Commissioner of Patents  
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**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL**

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to make special the subject application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 102 and M.P.E.P. 708.02 (VIII).

A. The petition fee required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2638.

B. A single embodiment appears in the application.

C. The following classes and subclasses were searched by a professional searcher:

2/115, 912

40/1.6, 586

D. Copies of the most pertinent references that turned up in the search are enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 5,086,516 to Baxter et al.

This patent shows a frame 16 (Fig. 2) having Velcro strips 14. A pictorial representation 24 can then be applied, or removed and a new one applied. There are no flaps forming a pocket which gives a neater look. The garment bearing the pictorial representation cannot be worn without it since it gives the appearance of a jacket having something missing on the back.

U.S. Patent No. 5,960,476 to Danzy

This patent merely shows a transparent panel so one's tattoo can be viewed. There is no removable billboard panel.

U.S. Patent No. 4,710,981 to Sanchez

This patent shows a folded flap 21 (compare Figs. 2 and 1) which can be flipped open to expose a saying. There is no completely removable billboard panel.

U.S. Patent No. 5,953,757 to Blanks

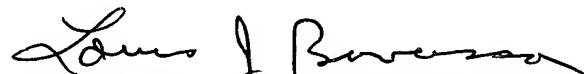
This patent contemplates the use of pockets or pouches in a garment at various locations for changing the display. It is quite complicated, and without any images, the garment would appear unfinished or incomplete.

None of the prior art patents show or suggest a garment having a detachable billboard panel on the back having indicia thereon for advertising a movie or sporting event or the like, an entertainment program, etc. The billboard panel is a removable panel that is quickly and easily mounted to or removed from the back of the garment, and flaps on the back of the garment cover the securing elements.

Grant of this petition is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees related to the filing of this Petition to Deposit Account No. 50-2638.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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